GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Service – Registration & Stamps – Surprise check conducted on the O/o. Sub Registrar Office, Anakapalli on 10.01.2020 – Allegations of misconduct against Sri Mylapalli Samudram, Senior Assistant (now Retd.) O/o SRO, Anakapalli - Common disciplinary proceedings initiated – Articles of Charge framed - Orders – Issued.

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REVENUE (VIGILANCE–II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 773 **Dated: 29-07-2025**

Read the following:

1. From DG, ACB, A.P, Rc.No.139/RCO-WVP/2023-S.11, Dt.04.04.2025.
2. G.O.Ms.No.258, Revenue (Vig.II) Department, dated:29.07.2025.
3. G.O.Ms.No.260, Revenue (Vig.II) Department, dated:29.07.2025.

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O R D E R :

In continuation of the orders issued under Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 in the reference 2nd read above and also as per sanction accorded in the reference 3rd read above, it is considered necessary to hold an enquiry against Sri Mylapalli Samudram, Senior Assistant (now Retd.) O/o SRO, Anakapalli under Rule 20 of the said rules.

2. The substance of the imputation of misconduct or misbehaviour in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charge (Annexure-I) and the imputation of misconduct or misbehaviour in support of each article of charge is enclosed (Annexure-II). A list of witnesses by whom and a list of documents by which the articles of charge are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-III & IV).

3. Sri Mylapalli Samudram, Senior Assistant (now Retd.) O/o SRO, Anakapalli is directed to submit his written statement defence within ten days of the receipt of this order.

4. He is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charge as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri Mylapalli Samudram, Senior Assistant (now Retd.) O/o SRO, Anakapalli further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defense on or before the date specified in para 3 above, further action will be processed based on the material available.

6. Sri Mylapalli Samudram, Senior Assistant (now Retd.) O/o SRO, Anakapalli is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964 under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interests in respect of matters pertaining to his service under Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt with in these

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proceedings, it will be presumed that he is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of this order may be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri Mylapalli Samudram, Senior Assistant (now Retd.) O/o SRO, Anakapalli (w.e. Annexures-I to IV) through the Commissioner and Inspector General, Registration& Stamps, Andhra Pradesh, Tadepalli.

Copy to:
The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission, Secretariat Building No.5, Velagapudi, Guntur District.
The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Andhra Pradesh Pandit Nehru Bus Station, NTR Administrative Block, 2nd Floor, Vijayawada.
The Commissioner & Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Andhra Pradesh, Tadepalli, Guntur District (with a request to serve the order on the individual and send the served copy with dated signature to Government).
The Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Kakinada.
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ANNEXURE – I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI MYLAPALLI SAMUDRAM S/O AMMORU, SENIOR ASSISTANT (NOW RETIRED) O/o THE JOINT SUB REGISTRAR, R.O. (O.B.), ANAKAPALLI, ANAKAPALLI DISTRICT.

That Sri Mylapalli Samudram S/o Ammoru, Senior Assistant (Now Retired) O/o the Joint Sub Registrar, R.O. (O.B.), Anakapalli, Anakapalli District (here in after referred as Government Servant (now retired), while functioning as such during the period between 04.06.2018 to 10.01.2020 (till date of Surprise Check) committed grave misconduct in as much as:

Charge:

That the Government Servant (Now Retired) is holding the post of 'Record Keeper' on the date of Surprise Check. He is responsible for having un-accounted cash of Rs.50,000/- which was seized from the record room of the Sub-Registrar office, Anakapalli, Anakapalli District.

Thus, the Government Servant (Now Retired) Sri Mylapalli Samudram S/o Ammoru, Senior Assistant O/o the Joint Sub Registrar, R.O. (O.B.), Anakapalli, Anakapalli District by his above mentioned acts exhibited lack of integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of Government Servant. Thus, he contravened Rule 3(1) and 3(2) of A.P. Civil Service (Conduct) Rules, 1964 r/w Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

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ANNEXURE – II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATION OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI MYLAPALLI SAMUDRAM S/O AMMORU, SENIOR ASSISTANT (NOW RETIRED) O/O THE JOINT SUB REGISTRAR, R.O. (O.B.), ANAKAPALLI, ANAKAPALLI DISTRICT.

Sri Mylapalli Samudram S/o Ammoru is a native of Tikkavanipalem Village of Visakhapatnam District. His date of birth is 27.03.1963. He entered into Government Service as Temporary Section Writer in Registration and Stamps Department on 27.04.1982 and worked in various places in Visakhapatnam from 27.04.1982 to 22.10.1986 and converted as Shorff on 22.10.1986 and worked at various places in Visakhapatnam from 22.10.1986 to 02.06.1991. Later he was promoted to Junior Assistant on 03.06.1991 and worked at R.O, Visakhapatnam from 04.06.1991 to 14.07.1993. He worked at O/o S.R.O., Sabbvaram, Visakhapatnam from 14.07.1993 to 04.04.1995. He worked at o/o S.R.O., K.Kotapadu, Visakhapatnam from 10.04.1995 to 12.05.1995. He worked at o/o DIG, Visakhapatnam from 12.05.1995 to 14.03.1996. He worked at DR Audit, Visakhapatnam from 14.03.1996 to 06.06.1996. He worked at O/o SRO, Chodavaram from 06.06.1996 to 25.07.2002. He worked at RO, Visakhapatnam from 25.02.2002 to 28.04.2006. He worked at o/o SRO, Kotauratla from 29.04.2006 to 12.02.2008. He was promoted to Senior Assistant on 13.02.2008 and worked at DR, Visakhapatnam from 13.02.2008 to 09.06.2009. He worked at RO, Visakhapatnam from 09.06.2009 to 16.06.2011. He worked at o/o SRO, Gopalapatnam from 16.06.2011 to 04.01.2014. He worked at RO, Visakhapatnam from 04.01.2014 to 04.06.2018. He worked at RO, (O.B), Anakaplli, from 04.06.2018 to 10.01.2020 (till date of Surprise Check). He is drawing basic pay of Rs.87,190/-. He was retired from service on 31.03.2025 on attaining the age of superannuation on 31.03.2025. He is herein-after referred to as Government Servant (now retired).

CHARGE:

That the Government Servant (Now Retired) is holding the post of 'Record Keeper' on the date of Surprise Check. He is responsible for having un-accounted cash of Rs.50,000/- which was seized from the record room of the Sub-Registrar office, Anakapalli, Anakapalli District.

FACTS AND EVIDENCE:

On credible information that Sri Matta Purushotham, Joint Sub-Registrar-1, Anakapalli has employed un-authorized private persons and the joint Sub-Registrar-1 and the staff of Joint Sub-Register Office are collecting bribe amounts from the general public, who are approaching their office for registration and other official works, through Document Writers, Assistant Document Writers and other private persons. Smt. Sk. Shakeela Bhanu, Addl. Supdt. of Police, ACB., Visakhapatnam Range, Sri K. Ranga Raju, DSP, ACB, Visakhapatnam Range along with Mediators and ACB Staff, Visakhapatnam Range, Visakhapatnam conducted a Surprise Check from 15.20 hours to 24.00 hours on 10.01.2020.

At the time of the surprise check the following staff is found available.

1. Sri Matta Purshottam, S/o Narayana, 55 years, Joint Sub-Registrar-1, Anakapalli, R/o: 15th street, Saradanagar, Kotturu, Anakapalli.

2. Mylapilli Samudram S/o Late Ammoru, 57 years, Sr. Asst., O/o. Joint Sub-Registrar, Anakapalli R/o: Flat No.103, 1st floor, Tapati block, Symannagar, Kurmannapalem, Visakhapatnam.
3. Yenniti Devi W/o Late Madhusudhana Rao, 36 years, Junior Asst., O/o Joint Sub-Registrar, Anakapalli R/o: Door NO.49/1, Swatantra nagar, Madhurawada, Visakhapatnam.
4. Pasupuleti Veera Venkata Sai Chakresh S/o Srinivasu, 19 years, Junior Asst., O/o Joint Sub-Registrar, Anakapalli R/O: D.no.155, BC Colony, Narsipatnam, Visakhapatnam.
5. Neelapu Srinivasa Rao S/o Appa Rao, 40 years, Shorff., O/o Joint SubRegistrar, Anakapalli R/O: D.no.21-53-26, Siddeswaram, Pedagantyadanauth, Visakhapatnam.
6. Gudala Ramanamma, W/o late Raja Rao, Office Sub-ordinate., O/o Joint Sub-Registrar, Anakapalli R/O; L.Singavaram village, Butchayyapetanauth, Visakhapatnam.
7. The Jt. Sub-Registrar-1 informed that the Jt. Sub-Registrar-II Sri B. Chakrapani went to the office of the Dist. Registrar, Anakapalli on official duty.

The Addl. S.P. secured the personal cash declaration register from the Joint Sub-Registrar-1. It was verified and found that on 10.01.2020 the employees of the office of the Sub-Registrar declared their personal cash and on verification, no excess cash was found in the possession of Joint SRO and their staff.

The DSP, ACB informed the Dist. Registrar, Anakapalli over the phone about the surprise check being conducted on the Jt. Sub Registrar's office and requested him to visit the office to coordinate with the ACB officials in the surprise check. Sri K. Srinivasa Rao, District Registrar and Sri B. Chakrapani, Jt. SRO-II, Anakapalli attended the office. When enquired the Jt. SRO-II, he stated that he went to the District Registrar office to affix thumb impression for Transfer Duty bills and also to attend to other miscellaneous work.

The Addl. S.P. and the search party searched the office premises room-wise in the presence of Mediators and the District Registrar and found cash of Rs.50,000/- on the top of Iron almirah (Storewell company-Silver Color) in the record room which was wrapped with an orange colour cloth bag, containing 15 Nos. of Rs.2,000/- denomination notes and 40 Nos. of Rs.500/- denomination notes. Two slips containing details of names of Document Writers, Document Nos. and their corresponding amounts dated 21.10.2019. As per Circular Memo No.X2/10708/94, Dt: 30-12-1997 of the Commissioner & I.G. of Registration and Stamps, A.P., Hyderabad in all cases of surprise checks, where unaccounted cash is found with the employee, in the premises of the office and with the unauthorized person in the office, the normal presumption shall be that it is illegal amount obtained as bribe from the parties. Therefore the onus of disproving the same will be on the head of the office. Hence, the un-accounted cash of Rs.50,000/- which was found in the Record Room of the Sub-Registrar Office, Anakapalli has been presumed to be the cash collected as bribe/illegal amount intended for the Joint Sub Registrar-1 were seized and presuming it to be the bribe collected from the parties who came for registration.

The Addl. S.P. examined the following witness and they stated as follows;

1. Sri Kommineni Srinivasa Rao, S/o Late K Hanumantha Rao, District Registrar, Anakapalli District.

On examination he stated that he has been working as District Registrar, Anakapalli Registration District in the Registration and Stamps Department since 11-10- 2018. Under his command, 11 Sub-Registrar offices are functioning which include, the Anakapalli Sub-Registrar office. One Sri M Purshotham has been working as SRO-1 Anakapalli since 2014 and SRO-2 Sri B. Chakrapani has been working since 12-09-2019 as a Probationer SRO. On 10.01.2020 at about 4.00 PM, on the information given by ACB, DSP, Visakhapatnam, he along with SRO-2 of Ankapalli Sub-Register Office Sri. B Chakrapani came to the SRO, Anakapalli. The SRO-2 came to his office for official purposes. On his arrival at the office, he found that some unauthorized persons who were identified as Document writers and Asst. Document writers are present in the office's main Hall. The ACB officials in the presence of mediators verified them and seized an amount of Rs.33,660/- from them. The ACB officials along with mediators searched the SRO's cabin, Staff room and record room. While checking the record room, Cash of Rs.50,000/- was found in an orange-coloured cloth cover on the top of the Iron Almirah which is found to be an unaccounted amount and it was seized by the Addl. S.P., ACB., Two slips in which the document numbers and amounts mentioned against them were found in the record room and were seized in the presence of mediators. The entire searches and seizures were video graphed. On enquiry by ACB officials, it was also found that as many as four (4) private persons namely 1) Sri P.Lavanya, 2) Sri Konathala Appala Naidu, 3) Sri V Sarat Kumar and 4) Sri Jilani were employed by the SRO-1 for his assistance unauthorizedly. He watched the video clippings shown by the ACB staff in the presence of the mediators and Sri M. Samudram, Sr. Asst, identified the document writers and Asst. Document Writers who came to the SRO Office unauthorizedly on different occasions. He further stated that on verification of the registers, he found that the following Registers were not maintained properly. 1) Account-C Register (volume No.44). It is maintained up to 2019, with no entries for the year 2020. 2) Account-G Register (volume No.44), This is not updated. 3) Charge Monitor Register- It is not maintained, as such he has not mentioned the time when he was leaving the office and also has not mentioned the names and ranks of relieved officer and relieving officer. When compared the entries in the Account-A register with the Charge Monitor Register, the Jt.SRO-1 did not maintain the registers properly i.e., he did not mention the entries pertaining to his leaving of office on 3-1-2020 and 4-1-2020 in this register. 4) Document Acknowledgement register- on verification of the register, it was found that the document writers are receiving document acknowledgement slips and collecting the original documents from the Joint SRO Anakapalli by attesting their signatures for the receipt of original documents. But as per procedure, the acknowledgement slips have to be given to the parties, who made transactions, and they only receive the original documents by attesting their signatures in this register. 6) One "Number Book" is being maintained by the SRO-1 in which document numbers and codes of document writers are mentioned in the register to know which document was prepared by which document writer, which is not permitted. Four such registers were seized by the ACB officials.

During the investigation, the Deputy Inspector General of Stamps and Registrations, Visakhapatnam furnished the job charts of the Government Servants vide Lr.No.E/1223/2023, dated 13.02.2024.

As per Circular Memo No.X2/10708/94, Dt:30-12-1997 of the Commissioner & I.G. of Registration and Stamps, A.P., Hyderabad in all cases of surprise checks, where unaccounted cash is found with the employee, in the premises of the office and with the unauthorized person in the office, the normal presumption shall be that it is illegal amount obtained as bribe from the parties. Therefore, the onus of disproving the same will be

on the head of the office. Hence, Sri M. Purshottam, Joint Sub-Registrar-1 and Sri Mylapalli Samudram, Senior Asst., Sub-Registrar Office, Anakapalli are responsible for having un-accounted cash of Rs.50,000/- which was seized from the record room of the said Sub-Registrar office, Anakapalli at the time of surprise check.

That the Government Servant (Now Retired) is holding the post of 'Record Keeper' on the date of Surprise Check. He is responsible for having un-accounted cash of Rs.50,000/- which was seized from the record room of the Sub-Registrar office, Anakapalli, Anakapalli District is held substantiated.

Thus, the Government Servant (Now Retired) Sri Mylapalli Samudram S/o Ammoru, Senior Assistant O/o the Joint Sub Registrar, R.O. (O.B.), Anakapalli, Anakapalli District by his above mentioned acts exhibited lack of integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of Government Servant. Thus, he contravened Rule 3(1) and 3(2) of A.P. Civil Service (Conduct) Rules, 1964 r/w Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

Hence, the Government Servant (Now Retired) Sri Mylapalli Samudram S/o Ammoru, Senior Assistant, O/o Joint Sub Registrar, R.O. (O.B.), Anakapalli, Anakapalli District rendered himself liable for place the Government Servant on his defence before the C.O.I.

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ANNEXURE-III

ORAL EVIDENCE:

1.	Sri Rompilli Vamsi Krishna, S/o. R.V. Ramana Murthy, 38 years, Dy. Exe. Engineer, Public works, GVMC, Zone-VIII, Bheemili, Visakhapatnam dist. R/o: Flat No. 501, V.K. Residency, Bhanu Nagar, HB Colony, Visakhapatnam.
2.	Sri Nammi Appa Rao, S/o. Late Kannayya, 55 years, Jr. Assistant, Main Office, GVMC, Visakhapatnam, R/o D.No.18-275, Chinagadili, Radhakrishna Nagar, Visakhapatnam.
3.	Sri Kommineni Srinivasa Rao, S/o. Late K Hanumantha Rao, 51 years, District Registrar, Anakapalli R/o.Anakapalli, Visakhapatnam district.
4.	Sri G. Balakrishna, Deputy Inspector General of Registration and Stamps, Visakhapatnam regarding Service particulars of AOs 1 and 2.
5.	Smt. Sk. Shakeela Bhanu, Addl. SP, ACB, Visakhapatnam.
6.	Sri K. Ranga Raju, Deputy Supdt of Police, ACB Visakhapatnam.
7.	Sri G. Prema Kumar, Inspector of Police, ACB, Visakhapatnam.
8.	Sri Ch.Venkata Rao, Inspector of Police, ACB, Visakhapatnam.

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ANNEXURE-IV

DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE:

1.	Surprise Check proceedings dated 10.01.2020 drafted at the O/o Joint Sub-registrar, Anakapalli, Anakapalli District
2.	Two CDs containing Video Clippings of surprise check and Pre Verification video clips with dates
3.	Letter No.E1/18/2020, dated 16.03.2020 of the DIG Stamps & Registration, Visakhapatnam with circulars & Memo copies issued by the Commissioner & Inspector General of Registration & Stamps, A.P., Hyderabad for unauthorized cash, unaccounted cash and engaging private persons in the premises of SRO Offices, etc.
4.	Lr.No.E/1223/2023, dated 22.02.2024 of Sri G.Bala krishna, Deputy Inspector General of Registration and Stamps, Visakhapatnam regarding service particulars of AOs 1 and 2.
5.	Lr.No.E/1223/2023, dated 13.02.2024 of Sri G.Bala krishna, Deputy Inspector General of Registration and Stamps, Visakhapatnam regarding job charts of AOs 1 and 2

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